

Pet Disaster Plan

Pets are members of a family. In an emergency, pets depend on their owners to keep them safe. Because of health concerns, the majority of public shelters do not allow pets. Leaving a pet at home if you have to evacuate is not a good option. This guide will help you plan for your pet's evacuation and care.

Before The Disaster

- Make sure your pets have current vaccinations.
- Keep a collar with identification on your pet at all times.
- Have a leash for each of your pets.
- Make sure you have your pet's shot records.
- Have a picture of each of your pets.
- Keep a pet carrier for each of your pets.
- Keep information on your pet in their pet carrier.
- Plan where your pet might be taken if you have to evacuate. This could include friends or family members.

During The Disaster

- Keep identification on your pets available to show to authorities.
- Bring enough food and water for your pet.
- Verify that you can shelter your pet at the shelter you are planning to use.

After The Disaster

- Walk pets on a leash frequently. In a disaster, pets can get lost if not on a leash.
- Monitor your pet's behavior, disasters can be upsetting to pets.
- If you lose your pet, contact Animal Control to see if your pet was recovered.